ABSTRACT

The object is to provide a data output control apparatus which allows detailed information on a network to be readily obtained, which is advantageous with respect to cost, and which is suitable for specifically notifying the user of the service charge.

5   A data output control terminal 300 is communicatively connected via the Internet 400 to a portable terminal 100 carried by a user, printing apparatuses PR_1 to PR_n provided at various locations, and WWW servers DS_1 to DS_m. The data output control terminal 300 obtains from a WWW server DS data associated with a data print request from the portable terminal 100, selects one of the plurality of printing

10   apparatuses PR, and outputs the obtained data to the selected printing apparatus. Billing is executed in accordance with the result of use by the portable terminal 100 of the print service provided by the data output control terminal 300. The billing is executed by summing the service charge and the call charge of the portable terminal 100.